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McGILL UNIVERSITY
FACULTY OF DENTISTRY

MONTREAL, January 8th, 1924.

Sir Arthur Currie, G.C.M.G.
Principal,
McGill University.

Dear Sir:-

Following our conversation of yesterday I am going to try to put on a short course (one lecture a week for ten weeks), on "some things in literature" for the students of the Fourth Year.

I have no idea, at all, of attempting to soar into the heavens of literary attainment, but I would like to develop in the class, some interest, in good literature, in the hope, that interest once aroused, they would continue, to seek and to find, some of the pleasure, which comes from an acquaintance with decent reading.

Dentists, for many years, even after obtaining the handle of "Doctor" to their names, have been looked upon as a kind of glorified mechanic rather than an all round, educated professional man. Fingers are educated at the expense of the head. This is being recognized in all our better schools.

Would it be possible for you to give, to our Fourth Year students, a short talk (thirty to fifty minutes), on Thursday, January 15th, at 4 P.M. This would be the "opening of the course". I know how very busy you are, but if you could see your way clear, to comply with this request, I would be extremely grateful.

I am, Sir

Very truly yours,

A. W. Johnston

P.S. My plan is to try to get other outside help, from suitable persons.